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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER BRITISH NAVAL VENTURE.

OSTEND AND ZEEBRUGGE PORTS RAIDED.

Block Ship Sunk Across Harbour Entrance.

London, May 9.

It has been reported from Switzerland that the Germans are unable to use the Flemish ports and are obliged to direct all submarines and destroyers from German ports. The correspondent cannot confirm this, but is convinced that the blocking of Zeebrugge proved to be far more successful than hitherto imagined and that the port is now practically useless for the Germans.

A Successful Operation.

London, May 10.

The Admiralty report:—An operation designed to close the ports of Ostend and Zeebrugge was successfully completed on the night of May 9, when the obsolete cruiser Vindictive was sunk between the piers and across the entrance to Ostend harbour. Since the attack on Zeebrugge on April 23 the Vindictive had been fitted with concrete and fired as a block-ship. Our light forces returned to the base with the loss of a motor launch, which was damaged and was sunk by the Vice-Admiral's orders to prevent it falling into the enemy's hands. Our casualties were light.

Details of the Exploit.

London, May 11.

The blocking of Ostend was carried out, as previously, under the direction of Commodore Lynes. The weather conditions were ideal until 1.45 in the morning, a quarter of an hour before the Vindictive was timed to arrive at the entrance. Then a sea fog drifted to the shore, reducing the visibility to 3,000 or 4,000 yards, rendering the work most difficult. The Vindictive, for twenty minutes, crossed and re-crossed from west to east, seeking the entrance, subjected to a fire which caused casualties. About 2.20 in the morning, the crew were delighted to find themselves almost alongside the pier. Then came the great ordeal. Shot and shell were battering the Vindictive, when the Captain swung her into the channel and rammed her stern against the eastern pier. Finding the Vindictive aground, aft and immovable, the officer cleared the engine room and stokehold and blew the charges. The crew jumped into two motor boats, which were gallantly standing by ready to rescue. The Vindictive was then lying at an angle of forty degrees from the eastern pier. The Germans frantically endeavoured to prevent the escape of the crew, for a hurricane of shells was raining round the departing launch. One of these sighted the flagship Warwick with Admiral Keyes aboard at 3.15 in the morning, and two Lieutenants and thirty-eight of the Vindictive's men were taken off. One man was dead. All aboard the Vindictive were volunteers from the Dover patrol. One officer participated in the Zeebrugge attack. Commodore Lynes' report says that the enemy did not interfere with the passage out. Small craft were all despatched to their stations with supporting destroyers and two motor boats were detailed to torpedo the piers. The sea fog stopped the work of the accompanying aeroplanes and for a time even the searchlights were invisible, but the weather cleared and when the Vindictive arrived the air attacks recommenced. For an hour the scene was most lurid, with the thunder of the guns at sea and on land, the explosion of aeroplane bombs, the cries of the searchlights and the glare of the star shells.

Commodore Lynes says the two reasoning motor boats brought off three officers and forty men of the Vindictive's crew, while two other launches searched the shores carefully under very heavy fire, finding nobody. The Vindictive's crew numbered fifty-two officers and men. She was about two miles from land when the enemy opened fire. All her casualties were caused from the fire of numerous six-inch and four-inch guns, at least one eleven-inch gun and a hundred machine-guns.

Commodore Lynes mentions that none of the German ships at Ostend ventured to sea to repel the attack of the British, whose operations were covered by monitors and fire from coast batteries, so heavy that two hundred shells fell close to two monitors without hitting them or causing casualties. Airmen of the Dover Command incessantly bombed enemy airmen and subsequently ascertained that the Vindictive was lying from 150 to 200 yards inside the pier. No attempt was made to land men and no Germans were visible on the pier. It is now disclosed that the previous attempt to block Ostend failed because just previously the enemy had moved the buoy out of position.

Great Satisfaction Felt.

London, May 10.

There is the greatest satisfaction at the successful operation at Ostend. One or two vessels participating show scars of battle. The bodies have hitherto been landed at Dover. There are no further details at present.

Where the "Vindictive" Lies.

London, May 11.

It is stated on unquestionable authority that the Vindictive lies in the neck of the channel at the entrance to Ostend Harbour at an angle of about thirty degrees. Lying thus, she does not effectively block the channel, which is about twenty feet wider than the length of the Vindictive, but a most useful purpose is served. A partial and most serious blockade has been achieved and the obstruction will certainly tend to increase under the conditions of the tide and the rapid ebb prevailing on that coast. As it is, it is not claimed that the Vindictive will prevent the egress of submarines or even entirely stop the egress of destroyers. It will materially hamper both, however.

What is very important is that the German light craft, when chased by our sea forces, will not be able, as hitherto, to rush full-speed into shelter. The British casualties so far as can be ascertained are well under thirty.

The plan followed was almost an exact repetition of that at Zeebrugge. It was carried out between midnight on Thursday and four o'clock in the morning. There were supporting vessels and heavy fire. Smoke screens were again employed, and the climatic conditions were fairly favourable. The small number of casualties indicates that the enemy was surprised.

It is computed that at least three or four days must elapse before a channel can be cleared and buoyed between the stern of the sunken cruiser and the pier. The alt is collecting very fast at Zeebrugge, despite dredging. Attacking cruisers would be so placed that any attempt to blow up the obstruction would be fraught with considerable danger to the neighbouring permanent structures.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER BRITISH NAVAL VENTURE.

War Cabinet's Congratulations.

London, May 11.

The Press Bureau announces that the War Cabinet has telegraphed to Vice Admiral Keyes as follows:—"The country owes you and your officers and men the warmest thanks for the successful effort to deal with the submarine menace at its source. The blocking of Ostend puts a finishing touch to the gallant achievement at Zeebrugge. We send our sincere congratulations."

The German Version.

London, May 10.

A German official version of the Ostend exploit states:—"The enemy ships were protected by artificial fog. They tried to force their way into the harbour but were driven off by coastal batteries. The report asserts that the Vindictive, which was entirely battered to pieces, lies aground before the harbour outside the navigation channel and the entrance is quite free."

Our Naval Men's Anxiety to Serve.

London, May 11.

It is stated at Dover that Commodore Keyes decided that the Vindictive should be handled by a crew told off for the Brilliant, which, with the Sirius, previously tried to block Ostend, but the Engineer Commander, a Petty Officer and four artificers who served on the Vindictive at Zeebrugge claimed the right and were allowed to remain.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

Thirty German Aeroplanes Accounted For.

London, May 9.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—"We dropped ten tons of bombs on Le Calvaire, Cambrai, Bapaume and Zeebrugge docks and Mlle. Sirenaux air fighting occurred in the northern area. We brought down twenty-two German machines and drove down seven. Our gun-fire shot down another. Seven British machines are missing. We dropped a ton of bombs during the night on the railway stations at Douai and Marcinelle."

Artillery Activity.

London, May 10.

A French communique says:—"There is only marked reciprocal artillery activity on the Heilles-Montdidier front."

Wonderful Work by our Airmen.

London, May 10.

Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters, telegraphing on May 10, says:—"The lull continues. Our airmen continue to do wonderful work. The number of enemy machines brought down in recent days is remarkably high. It is reported that Lieutenant von Richthofen, a brother of the famous German aviator, recently fell and fractured his skull in the Somme Valley and is unlikely to fly again."

Successful British Counter-Attack.

London, May 10.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig says:—"Our counter-attack recaptured the small portion of the French front gained by the enemy to the north-west of Albert. We took a few prisoners. Hostile artillery is active in the Somme and Ancre valleys, and at different points on the Lys battle-front."

French Capture Grivesnes Park.

London, May 10.

A French communique says:—"After an intense but short artillery preparation yesterday afternoon, we captured the park of Grivesnes, an important part of which the Germans had occupied. We took 258 prisoners, including four officers, and brought back a large quantity of material. Despite lively enemy artillery fire and reconnaissance attempts to reach our new line, we maintained the conquered positions, which we organised. We carried out successful local operations or repelled raids on the right of the Ailette, in the region of Masegny, north of Rheims forest and Ailly. Lieutenant Fonck yesterday brought down six German biplanes, the first two in ten seconds and a third five minutes later."

Local Fighting.

London, May 10.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—"There was local fighting on May 10 in Avelak Wood, to the north of Albert. There was hostile artillery activity, particularly in the Vimy and Babcock sectors, and south of Dikbeek. We repulsed a raid in the neighbourhood of Neuville Villages."

A German Admission.

London, May 11.

A German official wireless message admits that the enemy gained a footing in Grivesnes Park.

More Aerial Work.

London, May 11.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, states:—"Low clouds and mist prevented flying on Friday, until five o'clock in the afternoon, when the weather cleared on a small part of the front and where there was great aerial activity until dark. We dropped fourteen tons of bombs on Perronne, Bapaume, Thieul, Douai, Zeebrugge and on the docks at Bruges. Hostile scouts were very active, repeatedly attacking our bombing machines. We brought down eight and drove down six machines uncontrollable. Nine British machines are missing. One of ours, reported missing on May 7, has returned."

The Artillery Praised.

London, May 10.

The Press Bureau announces that Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig has expressed his deep appreciation of the splendid service of the artillery in the Somme and Lys battles, and added that the infantry were the first to admit the inestimable value of the artillery support. The confident reliance of each arm upon the most wholehearted self-sacrificing support of the other is the greatest possible assurance that all further assaults will be met and resisted.

A Gunners' Struggle.

London, May 11.

A French communique says:—"There is a fairly violent artillery struggle in the region of Grivesnes and between Leningy and Noyon."

The Belgians Bombarded.

London, May 11.

A Belgian communique says:—"German artillery bombarded Belgian works and communications in the Neupont area during the night, while the British were attacking the coast."

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

Another Aerial Report.

London, May 11.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig in a report on aviation, states:—"The weather enabled a full day's work on May 9. Machines flew all day long reconnoitring and photographing. Our bombers displayed great activity on the whole front. They dropped twenty-four tons of bombs on places including the important railway stations of Tournai, Douai, Marcinelle, Chaulnes and Cambrai and billets at Carvin, Peronne, and Cilly, and the docks at Zeebrugge. Air fighting was almost continuous. It was particularly fierce towards dusk. We brought down twenty-seven German machines and drove down twelve. Six British machines are missing. At night we dropped four and a half tons of bombs on the docks at the entrance to the canal at Ostend and three and a half tons on Peronne, Chaulnes and Bapaume. All our machines returned."

Successful British Raids.

London, May 11.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—"The French advanced their line slightly north-east of Loos and took several prisoners. We carried out successful raids west of Marville and brought back prisoners and a machine gun. Our fire stopped an attempted raid east of Ypres."

French Operations.

London, May 11.

A French communique states:—"During the night the artillery struggle was very active throughout the region of Grivesnes, Mailly and Rimeval. We carried out a raid north of Grivesnes and took fifteen prisoners. A minor operation against Bois de Mireuil and north-west of Oulxelles enabled us to gain an appreciable amount of ground with thirty-nine prisoners. Several machine-gun attacks completely failed. Our detachments also raided enemy lines south-east of Montdidier, north-east of Thierpont and in Woevre. Some prisoners were brought back."

The Germans Held Up.

London, May 9.

Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters, writing on the evening of May 9, states:—"The enemy has made virtually no progress since the capture of Mont Kemmel, showing no disposition to follow up the initial moves, which were generally anticipated. So long as his local attacks continue to be neutralised as was the case yesterday, so long will the bigger attempt be likely to be postponed. His dense concentrations remain in position, but the momentum has gone out of his original plan. The offensive has spent itself. He now in the position of having to start a fresh one against the Allies who have had liberal time for over-hauling defences. The enemy is now faced with the same problem as on March 21 last."

An Unfruitful German Venture.

London, May 12.

A French communique states:—"After most violent artillery preparations, the Germans this morning with shock troops attacked Grivesnes Wood, south-west of Mailly Rimeval. They gained a footing under cover of the fog in the northern part of the wood. They were driven out by our brilliant counter-attack. Our line was completely restored. The Germans lost heavily and left a hundred unwounded prisoners, fifteen machine-guns and a quantity of material in our hands."

Some German Claims.

London, May 9.

A German wireless official message says:—"Our local attacks to the south of Dikbeek Lake were completely successful. We stormed strongly fortified positions on the east bank of the Yver brook on a width of two kilometres and ran into a Franco-British attack which disintegrated. The enemy's attack fully developed only astride the Leningy-Kemmel Road and was repulsed together with counter-attacks against our new positions. We took 675 prisoners belong to six French and two English divisions, which suffered heavily. We took a number of prisoners in repulsing English advances on the south bank of the Lys, near Broquoy, and to the south of Albert. We took forty-five prisoners during an unsuccessful Australian night attack on the Corbie-Bray road. In air fighting during the past few days we brought down thirty-seven enemy aeroplanes."

French Improve Positions.

London, May 12.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—"In a successful local operation on May 11, the French improved their positions north of Kemmel village and took over one hundred prisoners. We repulsed a raid on the Ypres-Commines canal. Our patrols, during night encounters, took prisoners and a machine-gun in the neighbourhood of Meteren. The enemy's artillery is active in the Ancre sector, south of Albert, shelling our forward positions east of Loos and south of Voormezele."

THE UKRAINE UNREST.

More Trouble with the Germans.

London, May 10.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Moscow, the coup d'etat in Ukraine has created a great impression there, and there are fears that the incident of the Prussian officer entering the Rada may soon find an analogy on a bigger scale. The newspapers are full of descriptions of the irruption of German soldiers in the Rada with members and the public standing at the pistol-point with their arms above their heads. The only exception was President Grochovsky who protested at the invasion. The efforts of the Ukrainian Ministers and the Rada to secure a compromise with the Germans is unraveling, the German Ambassador at Kiev replying that it is too late. The Germans have established a rigorous censorship at Kiev. The police raided the residence of Professor Grochovsky, President of the Central Rada, with the object of arresting him. M. Palligora, a Member of the Rada, was arrested but subsequently released. A detachment of officers attempted to arrest M. Salikovsky, the Government Commissary at Kiev. M. Salikovsky escaped.

A New Government Formed.

London, May 11.

Reuter's correspondent at Moscow, states that a new Government of Ukraine and Ojibria has been formed in Ukraine. The Premier is M. Ostapenko, while the Finance Minister is M. Baranovsky, formerly a member of the Kossakovsky Cabinet.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, May 10.

The silver market was quiet.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, May 9.

Reuter's correspondent at the French Headquarters, writing on the 8th inst., describing the work of the French troops in the defence of Scherpenberg on April 28th, says that whose orders were two battalions of British infantry and some British artillery, said the British infantry, who were Leicestershire men, fought in a way that evoked the warmest praise of himself and the Poles. In recognition of the gallant and courageous work, which the British troops were engaged in, the same French Division still barred the way. The French Colonel, whose guns were served under devastating enemy fire, the same French Colonel bestowed a French War Cross on a British Major, pinning on the decoration in the midst of a fight. One French battery fired until every gun was disabled and the officers and half the men serving the guns killed or wounded.

In several instances in the recent fighting the Germans were using captured British aeroplanes or their own marked like the British, thus securing immunity from the French guns, swooping down on groups of French officers and machine-gunning them at a hundred yards range.

The French Division paid a heavy toll for its victory; but it has stopped dead. The enemy's offensive against the Flemish Hill since April 28. The Germans have scarcely stirred except in response to French attacks. So completely were the enemy beaten that men who went through the battle are confident that he will not try a frontal attack on Scherpenberg.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—"At the conclusion of the fighting this morning in the Le Cloyt-Vormezeele sector the French and British positions were completely re-established. The enemy, after artillery firing, launched two early local attacks in the neighbourhood of Albert and Bourimont. Our rifle and machine-gun fire broke up the latter attack, the enemy not reaching our trenches. The enemy, after suffering heavy casualties from our fire at Albert, effected a lodgment in our advanced positions on a front of 150 yards."

Paris, May 10.

Lord Derby, speaking at a dinner given in his honour by the Anglo-American Press Association, emphasised the loyalty with which Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, who was an old friend of his, placed his services at the disposal of Generalissimo Foch. This loyalty was due to his absolute confidence in Generalissimo Foch. Similar loyalty was felt by all Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's officers. Lord Derby was convinced that the unified command was the surest road to victory, which would not be long in being traversed.

UKRAINE AND RUSSIA.

London, May 10.

General Skoropadsky, the "independent" enemy of the Bolsheviks, in a manifesto on resuming office, told the Ukrainians that they owed their salvation to the Central Powers, who were invincible. The manifesto does not mention peace with Russia. Therefore, it is assumed that the Ukrainians will continue their operations against Russia.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Islands Discovered in Arctic.

A telegram from Fairbanks, Alaska, says that several new large Arctic islands were discovered north west of Banks Land in the spring of 1916 by Mr. Stefansson, the Arctic explorer. The explorer claims the new land for Canada. In a long message to the Daily Chronicle which was published on September 20th, 1916, Vilhjalmer Stefansson, the leader of the Canadian Arctic Expedition, who has not been heard of for 18 months, described the new land that he had discovered in a desolate journey with two companions. It was to the north of Prince Patrick Island, and fully a hundred miles of coast line was seen. The interior was mountainous, and the country was rich in game. Stefansson had to return south on the approach of summer, but he had planned a further journey in 1916 to explore the new land. This expedition was carried out, but the details are not known. If the present message is accurate in speaking of islands to the north west of Banks Land it would point to further discoveries in the vast uncharted area north of Canada.

Germany's Brutal Neglect of the Aged.

Mr. Gerard's recent statement that the Germans would not, in the event of necessity, hesitate to starve all aged persons, has received remarkable confirmation from the Rev. Aloysius Daniels, a Roman Catholic priest, who arrived here a few days ago from Germany. In the course of a long statement regarding the conditions inside Germany, this gentleman says: "Germany now only cares for those who can aid her in prosecuting the war. This has led to the brutal neglect of the aged. Those who go to the police station, where all permits for food are issued, and ask permission to buy milk or eggs for sick persons are immediately asked how old is the sick person. If the person who is ill is beyond any sign of active service, food is refused. 'That man is of no use to us—we have nothing for him.' is the customary reply. The Rev. Mr. Daniels declares that the middle class in Germany has ceased to exist. Only two classes now remain, the very rich and the very poor."

Chinese as Lumbermen in France.

Mr. Hamilton Fyfe tells in the Daily Mail how he came across a Chinese compound in the midst of a great French forest. Until about a month ago they had never handled an axe, but are now cutting down trees with the deft skill and swiftness of Canadian loggers. They have cleared large areas of the forest. They have also been successful as charcoal burners. Charcoal is useful in the trenches for cooking. "They seem to be putting their backs into it," I said, as we looked at swinging axes, trimming off stumps with axes, neatly stacked plank-logs for barbed wire and the fascines for making paths both in the trenches and outside them. "Yes," said the Canadian major in command, "that's because we put them on foot-work. That speeds the work up better than anything. It keeps them in a good humour, too." Later I saw them drawing rations in the compound and understood one reason for their contentment. They ate a good meal, with either rice or a popular meat of almost unleavened bread, to which they are accustomed, and tea. Their midday meal, which they take with them to their work, is bread and cheese or bacon, and they cannot drink cold water—it makes them ill. They are a cleanly folk; their huts are tidy, and in a big bath-house they wash in skinned, boiling water with luxurious equipment. A good many men there, however, had tattered tunics. On the Chinese New Year's Day the officers got up a juggling competition. That night they were allowed to gamble. They got 100 a day, the rest of their wages going to their families in China.

GENERAL NEWS.

Cattle Plague.

Kinkiang and its surroundings are suffering from the worst cattle plague and hog cholera that have been known for years. Nearly every case is fatal.

Formerly on Peking-Mukden Railway.

Acting Major K. T. Lomas has been promoted to Colonel. He was an engineer on the Peking-Mukden Railway and went home for service in the Royal Engineers in June, 1915.

Munitioneer's Fine Feathers. Purchases of millinery and fine drapery goods from the Scottish Wholesale Co-operative Society have increased from \$1,000,000 to \$2,500,000 in 12 months. The President says the increase was all from munition workers' money.

Honorary Degrees at Oxford.

In a Convocation held at Oxford the degree of D.Sc., honoris causa, was conferred upon W. O. McIntosh, M.D. (Edin.), late Professor of Natural History in the University of St. Andrews; and the degree of M.A., honoris causa, upon R. L. Adglin Whitehouse, M.D. (Edin.), Lincoln College.

"Wendy" Goes to School.

Sir Johnston Forbes Robertson, speaking at the annual meeting of the Actors Association, pointed out that under the new Education Bill no child under 12 years of age could perform on the stage. This would mean that it would be impossible to prevent many of Shakespeare's plays, as well as those of Barrie and other dramatists. It was decided to approach Mr. Fisher, the Education Minister, on the question.

Thousandth Performance of "Romance."

Romance was recently played for the 1,000th time in London at the Lyric Theatre. Miss Doris Keane returned, after a short respite, to the part of the heroine, which she has now been playing for five years in America and England. Miss Keane was the object of a richly deserved demonstration. The comedy went as brightly as ever, and the audience carried it away in book form as a souvenir of a unique occasion.

Chinese Marriages.

Penang, April 20.—Five hundred Chinese at a public meeting, Mr. Qah Beng Kee presiding, discussed a petition favouring registration of marriages. Several speakers denounced the petition and the meeting rejected it by a large majority and appointed a committee to submit a counter petition to the Governor. Khaw Joo Teck, Lim Beng Hooi, Yeh Pak Tat, Lo Beng Quang, Lee Too Poon and Cheah Choo Yaw form the committee. —Singapore Free Press.

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Girl's Tragic Ideals.

A strange letter was read at the inquest at Haywards Heath on the body of Miss Hilda Louise Victoria Gallaty, who was found dead on the terrace of an empty house. "To whom it may concern. I, Hilda Gallaty, not seeing how I can be of use in this world, would rather die quickly than slowly degenerate and be a trial to other people during the process, and a burden instead of a help. I am sorry for my father, but I am sorry for anyone who will be hurt by my failure, but I cannot see myself conquering my cowardice. I wonder if I will find out why God lets towards be born." Miss Gallaty's father, an export merchant of St. Helen's-place, O.E., said his daughter was a girl of high ideals, but she seemed to be upset because she could not realise them. Medical evidence showed that death was consistent with strychnine poisoning. The jury returned a verdict of suicide while temporarily insane.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, 11th May, 1918.

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Death of Mr. Motion of Penang. Penang, April 30.—The funeral took place to-day of Mr. J. Motion, constructional engineer of the railways at Penang, who died yesterday in hospital at Penang of peritonitis at the age of 41. Deceased had been at Penang two years. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. D. Eves and was largely attended by representatives of freemasonry and others.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 & 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY the 25th May 1918, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 15th May to 25th May both days inclusive.

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DEATH.

GOLDENBERG.—Died suddenly at 10 p.m. on Sunday, 12th May, at No. 15, Wong Nei Chung Road, Mrs. E. Goldenberg, mother of Messrs. William, Harry, Isaac and Archie Goldenberg, and of Mesdames Oxberry and Moses and Misses Clara and Minnie Goldenberg.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 13, 1918.

CLEARING THE AIR.

While in a general way it is to be regretted that the time and attention of Ministers should at the present juncture in the war be taken up in rebutting suggestions concerning past events which, whatever their nature, cannot possibly be altered, we think the general public in all parts of the Empire will concede the point that the debate on the Maurice affair has not been without its value. In the first place, it has resulted in a decided strengthening of the position of the Government; secondly, it has disposed of many rumours of an unpleasant character, and, lastly, it has at any rate for the time being, given a sharp rebuff to those political wire-pullers who are endeavouring to oust Mr. Lloyd George from office, by the consequences of what they may. For these reasons, therefore, few will be sorry that the Maurice incident has arisen, even though, as a consequence of it, political falling has been asserting itself rather more indiscriminately than we care to see at a time like the present, when absolute unity is the supreme need of the moment.

The matters raised by General Maurice were important in their way; no-one will deny that. But of greater import than the military facts involved was the suggestion that the Premier and Mr. Bonar Law had misled the public. Happily, the Premier has been able to meet General Maurice on his own ground and to show that so far as the "incoherence" are concerned the statements to which exception is taken were based on General Maurice's own figures. That really is the most complete answer to the charges brought, while General Maurice is further discredited by the fact that he was in office for weeks after the Premier's statements were made, and that nine days later a document was issued by the General's own Department repeating the assertion which General Maurice has since been able to describe as incorrect and which he has sought to fasten on to the Premier and Mr. Bonar Law. Most damning of all for General Maurice is the circumstance that while in office he never dissented from the Premier's remarks, but, instead, waited till he had given up his post and then, without warning of any kind, gave publicity to his now famous and ill-timed letter. On figures supplied by General Maurice's own Department, the Government has been thoroughly vindicated, while at the same time the writer of the letter which has caused all the commotion has succeeded in doing nothing beyond gaining a reputation for setting an example of indiscretion to the whole Army. Why, in face of the facts made known by Mr. Lloyd George, General Maurice ever acted as he did is a mystery. The most charitable thing we can think is that he acted from a mistaken sense of duty to the country, though he has yet to free himself from the suggestion that he has been made the tool of disgruntled politicians.

The debate has certainly thrown a good deal of light on the military policies of both Britain and France, but we doubt if any good purpose has been served by the lifting of the veil. Matters had evidently reached a rather critical stage at one moment, but against that fact we have the other that there has been a most satisfactory adjustment of the points at issue and that the utmost unity prevails between the Allies. As the Premier put it, we have now one united Army and a Commander responsible for the whole and every part, and in this connection all must admire the self-effacing loyalty to the Allied cause shown by Sir Douglas Haig, which will yet further endear him to the hearts of all Britons. Apart from the particular issues raised, there is probably more in this latest attack on the Lloyd George Administration than meets the eye, but the Government has certainly stood the first shock well, and the occasion has been usefully taken advantage of to dispose of rumours and misunderstandings which were liable to sap the nation's energy. That is the real value of the incident, and, after the decided Government triumph, it is sincerely to be hoped that attention will now be devoted by all parties to the serious and more immediate problems of the war.

The Raid on Ostend.

The news contained in the Admiralty's report regarding the fact that part of the British Navy successfully conducted, on the 9th instant, an important raid at Ostend similar to that conducted at Zeebrugge on April 23, will be news as pleasing as was the thrilling narrative of the first raid. This second raid seems to have been even more decisively successful, as we learn that in consequence of it the Flemish ports can no longer be used by the enemy and that the Germans are therefore compelled to direct their submarines and destroyers from German ports. This of course restricts their operations, and should prove of much assistance to our Navy in their efforts to counteract the effects of the enemy's campaign. The story of the raid is largely told in the Admiralty's report which will be found in our telegraphic news in another part of this issue. The Vindictive, it will be seen, was again brought into action and on the present occasion was more successfully used for the purpose in view. This action may well cause a feeling of justifiable pride being felt by us in our Navy for having so soon after the Zeebrugge Raid attacked so successfully in his stronghold, the enemy, who, presumably, would be better prepared to cope with such an attack. The Vindictive's crew, which was composed wholly of the Dover patrol, seem to have carried out their work with great efficiency and bravery and, happily, with comparatively few casualties. That they were rescued by the crew of two accompanying motor launches is another of the striking and pleasing features of the raid.

An Aggressive Policy.

Full particulars are not yet to hand of the action, but we have sufficient data to indicate that the Admiralty is fully alive to the importance of effectively combating the enemy's submarine menace and of restricting it to as limited an area as is possible. This renewed activity on the part of our Navy may be taken as an indication that the Admiralty is determined to use its great power to the very utmost, even if it should necessitate hazardous raids such as those of Zeebrugge and Ostend. It has long been evident that we must adopt a more aggressive policy if we wish to make the enemy feel our strength at sea and it appears to be the case that the Admiralty is determined that such a course will meet with success. The success of the raid recalls to mind the remarks of Admiral Sims when he recently stated that Germany's only hope of winning was by means of submarines, and that since April last year the sinkings had been steadily decreasing and the curves of building increasing. We may be sure that the raids at Zeebrugge and Ostend will go a long way towards continuing that very desirable state of affairs.

America's Army Growing.

It is news of a particularly gratifying nature that comes from Washington to-day to the effect that Mr. Baker, the American War Secretary, officially communicates that his forecast to Congress in January that half a million American troops will be in France early in 1918 has already been surpassed. The magnitude of the plans of the United States when she had definitely decided to throw in her lot with the Allies of necessity militated against rapidity of action, but it appears that the thoroughness of the plans now respecting a just reward. We may depend upon it that now the organisation is in such admirable working order and that troops are being despatched with increasing rapidity we shall soon find a very formidable American army in France. The United States has got the men and the money; but still, she has the determination to do her utmost to combat the common enemy as speedily as possible, consistent with efficiency.

Sanitary Board.

The agenda for to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board only contains routine items.

DAY BY DAY.

WHERE HUMANITY IS NOT, AND WAS NOT, THE BEST NATURAL BEAUTY IS MORE THAN VAIN.—Ruskin.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 65th birthday of Mr. Hall Caine.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s. 1½d.

The Colony's Health.

For the twenty-four hours ended yesterday there were ten cases of spotted fever notified (all Chinese), with three deaths. There was also one non-fatal occurrence of small-pox (Chinese).

Memorial Service.

A memorial service to the late Mr. A. B. Brown was held at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday morning, the preacher being the Ven. Archdeacon Barnett. Special hymns were sung and the service concluded with the playing of the Dead March in "Saul" by Mr. White at the organ.

Not Pleasant.

At the Police Court this morning, a Chinese was charged before Mr. Dyer Ball, with being in unlawful possession of a lady's hand-bag and a quantity of lottery tickets. He was also charged with giving a false name and address when pawned a silk jacket, and to this he replied that it was not pleasant to give his correct name at a pawnshop. He did not know the regulations. The case was adjourned for further enquiries.

After Sixteen Months.

For having committed an assault on an Indian watchman as long ago as February, 1917, a Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at Police Court this morning. It appeared that when first arrested for the assault the man retorted his \$25 bail, and was only discovered a few days ago. Inspector Lamont said that the case arose out of a coal theft. Mr. Hall appeared to defend, and the case was adjourned for a week.

House-breaker Caught.

At the Police Court this morning, a Chinese was charged with being found in a dwelling house at Yumati for an unlawful purpose. Evidence was given by a woman living in the house that she heard a noise and later found the defendant in a room. He ran away and escaped by climbing down a rain pipe. A lankong happened to be outside and arrested the man as he reached the ground. Mr. J. R. Wood, sentenced the man to three months' hard labour.

Servant's Alleged Dishonesty.

Before Mr. Dyer Ball, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, a Chinese youth, employed by Miss Pereira, of 9, Balilios Terrace, was charged with stealing jewellery valued at \$127, the property of his mistress. Another Chinese, a shopkeeper, was charged with receiving the stolen property. Mr. Mattingley appeared to defend the second defendant. It was stated by Inspector Terecki that the robbery took place between March 6 and May 6, but was only discovered on Friday last. The police, under Sergeant Cockle, raided the servant's quarters, when the defendant admitted the theft and said he had sold the articles to the second defendant at his shop in Circular Street. His Worship adjourned the case until Friday next.

BABY'S OWN TABLETS
AN EXCELLENT REMEDY.

When the baby is ill—when he is constipated, has indigestion, colds, simple fevers or any other of the many minor ills of little ones—the mother will find Baby's Own Tablets, the Canadian children's remedy, of great help. They regulate the stomach and bowels, thus banishing the cause of most of the ills of childhood. Concerning them Mrs. Paul Dineen, of Channahville, Quebec, writes: "I can recommend Baby's Own Tablets to all mothers as I have used them for my little one for constipation and diarrhoea and have found them an excellent remedy." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers, or by mail at 60 cents a visit from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 96 Satchwell Road, Shanghai.

THE GYMKHANA.

Good Racing Seen on Saturday.

The second Gymkhana of the present season took place at Happy Valley on Saturday under conditions which ensured a successful afternoon's racing. The weather was brilliantly fine and there was a large attendance of visitors. In most of the races there were good fields out and the pari-mutuel and cash-sweeps were well patronised. The band of the 25th. Middlesex, under Bandmaster Lawrence Owen, rendered a very enjoyable programme of music during the afternoon, and matters generally went with a pleasant breeze. The officials were as follows: Mr. D. M. Rose, Judge; Mr. D. M. Rose, Handicapper; Mr. H. J. Gedge, 1st Starter; Mr. Paul M. Hodgson, 2nd Starter; and Mr. M. S. Sassoon, Time Keeper. It should be mentioned that Mr. J. H. Congdon assisted in the starting, and that Mr. O. H. Blasco, the Hon. Sec. and Treasurer of the Gymkhana Club, worked hard to ensure the success of the event.

The following are details of the various events:—

1.—Five Furlongs Race.—For Subscription Grifflins of the season 1917-1918, which have run and not won a race either at official meeting or at first Gymkhana. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced runners allowed 3 lb. Jockeys who have not won more than two official races allowed 5 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$150 2nd Prize: \$75. 3rd Prize: \$40.

Mr. T. S. Hough's Haggis, 152 lbs. (Mr. Gegg) 1
Mr. Lox's Marce, 144 lbs. (Mr. Kramer) 2
Mr. Brady's Morning Glory, 149 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 3
Also ran:—Mr. Reid's Doubtful (Mr. Reid), Mr. G and G's Second Violin (Mr. Knoll), Mr. H. B. L. Durbiggin's Hanteman (Mr. F. Sutton).

Morning Glory took the lead from a good start, being closely followed by Second Violin. These two ponies held the advantage going up the incline, but Haggis was slowly coming up. Doubtful and Hanteman were at the rear and not making up any of the distance. Rounding the village bend Morning Glory was still leading slightly, but on coming into the home straight was displaced by Haggis, which came away from the others in good style. Marce was being well ridden by Kramer and began to make ground fast, but did not succeed in displacing Haggis before the post was reached. Morning Glory had to be content with third place. Won by a neck, a length between second and third. 1 min. 18.25 secs.

Pari-mutual:—Winner, \$22.40; Places, \$7.00; \$6.80; \$7.30.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 157 \$410.20
" " 147 117.20
" " 92 58.60
Commission 104.006
Total \$690.60

2.—Gymkhana Stakes.—Value \$208. Distance—One Mile. For all Chinese ponies. Catch-weights at 10 at 6 lb. Winner of an open race or open Griffin race or ponies that have won the aggregate prize in the Gymkhana Stakes in any season 5 lb. extra. Non-winning subscription Grifflins allowed 5 lb. A Cap. to be run for five times or as decided by the Committee, called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented at the end of the season to be won by the pony scoring most marks in the races for the Gymkhana Stakes at Gymkhana meetings during the season, counting 4 points for a first; 2 for a second; and 1 for a third.

Mr. Staves' Signet Ring, 151 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 1
Mr. Goshead's Snuffbox, 151 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 2
Mr. G. and G's Brown Mouse, 151 lbs. (Mr. Knoll) 3

Also ran:—Sir Paul's Window Dablie (Mr. Gegg); Mr. H. B. L. Durbiggin's Charchman (Mr. Kramer).

At the outset Brown Mouse, in company with Snuffbox, took the lead, and they held this advantage past the Judge's box for the first time. Charchman

bringing up the rear. Snuffbox went in front at the football stand being closely followed by the Cat and Brown Mouse, with the Dablie and Charchman some distance behind. The Cat was going well past the rock, and after the ponies had gone in the same order round the village bend, the Cat made great efforts in the straight and won by a length. It was a hard fight between the Mouse and Snuffbox, the latter getting the better of matters by a neck. Time 2 min. 10.15 secs.

Pari-mutual:—Winners, \$80.59; Places, \$11.96; \$6.80.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 131 \$541.10
" " 70 154.60
" " 47 77.80
Commission \$137.08
Total \$910.00

3.—Class Handicap: A Class: Three Quarter Mile Race.—For Chinese Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$150. 2nd Prize: \$75. 3rd Prize: \$40.
Mr. Staves' Oxford, 152 lbs. (Mr. Knoll) 1
Mr. Dryadest's The Spec, 158 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 2
Mr. Hough's Cadrow's Wait, 147 lbs. (Mr. Kramer) 3

Also ran:—Sir Ellis Kadoorie's Essex Chief (Mr. Sutton).
The Spec got away at the start, with Oxford and the Chief together a length behind, the Wait being last. On going up the incline the Wait displaced Oxford and passing the rock the Wait and Spec were going neck and neck, followed by the Chief, with Oxford still last. Oxford made ground round the village bend and on coming into the home straight came away at a great pace to win by many lengths from The Spec which was two lengths in front of the Wait. Essex Chief was altogether out of it. Time, 1 min. 35.15 secs.

Pari-mutual:—Winner, \$9.00; Places, \$5.00; \$5.10.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 175 \$ 597.19
" " 6 170.60
" " 55 85.30
Commission 152.60
Total \$1,005.60

4.—Victor's Cross Competition.—Dummies representing wounded men were placed on the ground at a point indicated. Competitors galloped up under fire, over a low hurdle, lifted dummies on to their saddles, and carried back to winning post. Open to members of the Jockey Club, and Gymkhana Clubs, Naval and Military Officers, and members of the Mounted Troop. Entrance Fee. Prizes presented by the Gymkhana Club.

Mr. R. Barton, ... 1
Mr. J. Gibb, ... 2
Mr. J. A. Ridgway, ... 3
Mr. W. J. Morrison, Mr. K. B. Reid, Mr. F. Sutton, Mr. J. T. Fisher, Mr. T. W. Davis, and Mr. T. Leitch also competed.

This was an extremely amusing event, and the scramble that ensued when the fire crackers, representing military fire, were discharged, was one of no little commotion. Mr. Barton did well to get back first from the melee.

Pari-mutual:—Winner, \$15.40; Places, \$6.90; \$2.40; \$7.10.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 140 \$621.50
" " 165 178.40
" " 185 89.20
Commission 158.00
Total \$1,050.00

5.—Class Handicap: B Class: Three Quarter Mile Race.—For Chinese Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$150. 2nd Prize: \$75. 3rd Prize: \$40.
Mr. J. A. Ridgway's Ridge, 155 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 1
Mr. Thomas' Glorious Pearl, 150 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 2
Mr. G. and G's Second Violin, 155 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 3

Also ran:—Mr. Brady's Morning Glory (Mr. Morrison), and Mr. H. B. L. Durbiggin's Charchman (Mr. Kramer).
Ridge got away on even terms, with Glorious Pearl, and on coming into the home straight the Pearl was a length ahead of Ridge, with Ridge following. Ridge was a good second. It was here that Glorious Pearl, which had been lying well back, came up and a great race was seen in the home straight, out of which the Cat won by a length. Ridge being second. Time 2 min. 15.50 secs.

Pari-mutual:—Winner, \$8.00; Places, \$6.00; \$7.50; \$23.00.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 251 \$779.10
" " 30 222.00
" " 155 111.20
Commission 197.08
Total \$1,319.00

ford being unfortunate in being seized with cramp, which necessitated his stopping. Ridge won comfortably by a length from Glorious Pearl. Second Violin being three lengths behind the second pony. Time—1 min. 37.35 secs.

Pari-mutual:—Winner, \$15.90; Places, \$6.50; \$7.80; \$14.00.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 145 \$854.50
" " 193 \$187.00
" " 82 \$ 93.50
Commission \$165.00
Total \$1,309.00

6.—Handicap: One and a Quarter Mile Race.—For Chinese Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$150. 2nd Prize: \$75. 3rd Prize: \$40.
Mr. Staves' Oxford, 157 lbs. (Mr. Knoll) 1
Mr. G. and G's Brown Mouse, 152 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 2
Mr. Lox's Antipater, 146 lbs. (Mr. Kramer) 3

Also ran:—Sir Ellis Kadoorie's Essex Chief (Mr. Sutton).
Anticipation took the lead at the outset, the others being bunched. Past the Judge's box for the first time Anticipation was running in company with the Mouse, followed by Oxford, the Chief being last. This was practically the order all the way round, but the Mouse went ahead by the rock and had a slight lead at the village bend. In the home straight, Oxford, well ridden by Knoll, came up and won by a length. Brown Mouse being second three lengths from Anticipation. Time—2 min. 40.15 secs.

Pari-mutual:—Winner, \$9.20; Places, \$7.10; and \$8.00.

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 124 \$642.60
" " 78 \$183.60
" " 2 \$ 91.20
Commission \$162.60
Total \$1,080.00

7.—Handicap: From the Two Mile Post or Round and In.—For Subscription Grifflins of any season. Entrance Fee \$5. First Prize: \$150. 2nd Prize: \$75. 3rd Prize: \$40.
Mr. Staves' Black Cat, 159 lbs. (Mr. Gegg) 1
Mr. Dryadest's Peckhill, 159 lbs. (Mr. Barton) 2
Mr. Reid's Doubtful, 149 lbs. (Mr. Reid) 3

Also ran:—Mr. Brady's Green Cloth (Mr. Barton), Mr. Cottagers' Ploughfield (Mr. Knoll), and Mr. Lox's Marce (Mr. Kramer).
Green Cloth and Doubtful made the running to commence but at the football field Black Cat raced away and took a lead by several lengths. Ploughfield was now running second followed by Doubtful. The Cat still led up the incline and round the village bend, but Ploughfield was a good second. It was here that Peckhill, which had been lying well back, came up and a great race was seen in the home straight, out of which the Cat won by a length. Peckhill being second. Time 2 min. 15.50 secs.

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LAWN TENNIS.

Saturday's League Matches.
There were many Tennis League matches played on Saturday, several of the teams engaging in their first matches for the season.

"A" DIVISION.

C.R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
These teams met at Causeway Bay, the result being an easy win for the home Club by 67 games to 32. Scores:—

Ng Sze Kwong and Wong Po Kung beat S. E. Green and G. N. Manley 9-2, best J. Stalker and E. Abraham 8-3, best O. Stapleton and L. J. Blackburn 11-0.

M. W. L. and M. K. L. lost to Green and Manley 3-8, best Stalker and Abraham 8-3, best Stapleton and Blackburn 8-3.

Wong Po Kung and Yew Man Tuen lost to Green and Manley 5-6, best Stalker and Abraham 9-2, best Stapleton and Blackburn 6-5.

University v. Club de Recreio. The University "A" team lost to Club de Recreio "A" by 13 games on the former's ground. Scores:—

Brayshaw and Redmond beat Yvanovich and Pina 6-5, best Lopes and Lopes 6-5, best Marques and Yvanovich 9-2.

Choi Sio Keh and Lim Keng Tim lost to Yvanovich and Pina 4-7, lost to Lopes and Lopes 3-8, lost to Marques and Yvanovich 5-8.

Gittings and Chan Ming Ching lost to Yvanovich and Pina 3-8, lost to Lopes and Lopes 4-7, lost to Marques and Yvanovich 3-8.

Total: Club de Recreio, 56; University, 43.

"B" DIVISION.

The Chinese Recreation Club visited the U. S. B. C. Courts and won by 64 games to 25. Scores:—

Lin Wai Man and Ho Wing Kio beat Crocker and Robinson 8-3, best Macaulay and Parker 7-4, best Wahl and Wright 8-3.

Lo Hui Fung and Mok Hing Kue beat Crocker and Robinson 8-3, best Macaulay and Parker 8-3, best Wahl and Wright 9-2.

Ablo and Lee beat Crocker and Robinson 6-5, best Wahl and Wright 6-5, lost to Macaulay and Parker 4-7.

Civil Service v. Club de Recreio. Playing away, the Civil Service comfortably won this match by 60 games to 39. Scores:—

Wood and Hamilton beat Soares and Remedios 7-4, best Hyndman and Bull 7-4, best Gomes and B. Hyndman 7-4.

Witchell and Bradbury beat Soares and Remedios 6-5, best L. Hyndman and Bull 7-4, best Gomes and B. Hyndman 6-5.

Woodman and Woodman beat Soares and Remedios 9-2, lost to L. Hyndman and Bull 4-7, best Gomes and B. Hyndman 7-4.

Wigwam v. Talkoo. Talkoo opened their League season with an easy win over Wigwam on the latter's courts, securing the verdict 71 games to 28. Scores:—

Pearce and Gray beat Reillon Hicks 9-2, best Crapnell and Wilson 9-2, best Hewitt and Brown 8-3.

Booth and Aitchison beat Hewitt and Brown 11-0, best Crapnell and Wilson 8-3, lost to Reillon and Hicks 4-7.

McGubbin and O'Brien beat Hewitt and Brown 7-4, best Crapnell and Wilson 9-2, best Reillon and Hicks 6-5.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.
K. C. C. "C" v. St. Stephen's College.

This match was won by St. Stephen's College by 56 games to 43. Scores:—

Davidson and J. Hyde beat Britton and M.S. Fung 6-5, lost to H.P. Yew and S.H. Ng 3-8, lost to H. H. Tani and K. P. Lin 1-10.

Edwards and W. Hyde beat H. H. Tani and K. P. Lin 6-5, lost to H. P. Yew and S. H. Ng 4-7, lost to Britton and M. S. Fung 4-7.

Elson and Mead beat Britton and M. S. Fung 7-4, best H. H. Tani and K. P. Lin 7-4, lost to H. P. Yew and S. H. Ng 5-6.

C.R.C. v. M.B.K.
At Causeway Bay, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha were beaten by 52 games to 47. Scores:—

Choi and Choi lost to Inajo and Imura 4-7, lost to Suganuma and Yamazaki 4-7, best Yamada and Matsuo 10-1.

Ng Tatting and Lau Hin Mo lost to Inajo and Imura 4-7, lost to Suganuma and Yamazaki 4-7, lost to Yamada and Matsuo 6-6.

S. F. Lee and C. W. Chang

lost to Inajo and Imura 5-8, best Suganuma and Yamazaki 8-3, best Yamada and Matsuo 8-3.

Chinese Y.M.C.A. v. Queen's College.
Queen's College lost this match the scores being 51 to 48. Details:—

Loh Ching and Lin Yao Hui beat Romjahn and Wei Lan Sang 6-5, best Lo Man Ho and Lo Man Hin 8-3, best Choi and Nagano 8-3.

Moodeen and Chan Ohok Sam lost to Choi and Nagano 4-7, lost to Romjahn and Wei Lan Sang 5-6, best Lo Man Ho and Lo Man Hin 9-2.

Loan Fuk Ki and J. R. Chan lost to Lo Man Ho and Lo Man Hin 5-6, lost to Choi and Nagano 3-8, lost to Romjahn and Wei Lan Sang 3-8.

Indian School v. 37th Co. R.G.A.

The Indian School had an easy victory in this match, winning by 75 games to 24. Scores:—

U. M. Omar and S. A. Ismail beat Edgeler and Knight 6-5, best Turner and Kirkham 7-4, best Perry and A. N. Other 10-1.

S. A. Hamid and S. D. Ismail beat Edgeler and Knight 7-4, best Turner and Kirkham 8-3, best Perry and A. N. Other 9-2, best Perry and A. N. Other 10-1.

Civil Service v. Dockyard Recreation Club.

Playing at home on Saturday, the Civil Service "B" team just managed to defeat the Dockyard Recreation Club by the narrow margin of three games. The following are the scores:—

Goodall and Reynolds beat Black and Parry 6-5, best Phillips and Bowers 9-2, lost to Crocker and Trueman 5-6.

Deskin and Clarke lost to Black and Parry 4-7, best Phillips and Bowers 8-3, lost to Crocker and Trueman 6-6.

Haskett and Edmonds, lost to Black and Parry 2-9, best Phillips and Bowers 10-1, lost to Crocker and Trueman 2-9.

THE H. K. C. C. TOURNAMENT.
In the above tournament, two matches were played on Saturday, the results being:—

Mixed Handicap Doubles.—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Brown (rec. 15/3) beat Mr. and Mrs. Verney (rec. 2/6)—6-3; 6-4.

Handicap Singles "A".—N. E. Kent (own 3/6) beat O. Winkler (rec. 15/3)—6-2; 6-2.

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Strength for the stomach is the one thing needed. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, one after each meal and a little care in the diet, will quickly restore to you health.

This is the proper treatment for indigestion and you can begin it to-day and start on the road to health by getting a bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People from the nearest drug store. A copy of our new free book is free on request, and the pills will be sent you by mail postpaid, on receipt of price \$1.50 per bottle, six for \$8.00, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, 95 Eschen Road, Shanghai.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICES.

I have STARTED BUSINESS as General Merchants under the Firm name of J. M. XAVIER & CO. at 34, Queen's Road Central.

J. M. XAVIER.

LOGAN AND BASTO.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISSOLUTION OF THE PARTNERSHIP FIRM OF LOGAN AND BASTO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the above-named firm, must send such claims with details on or before the 15th day of June next to MESSRS. PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, Accountants and Auditors, 5, Queen's Road Central, the persons appointed to liquidate the above-named Partnership Firm. Dated the 11th day of May, 1918.

PERCY SMITH, SETH AND FLEMING.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "TJISALAK,"

having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO, consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after noon the 18th May, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 23rd May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 18th May at 10 a.m. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Insurance whatsoever has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LYN. Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1918.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Company's Steamship "YOKOHAMA MARU,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 20th May, 1918, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday & Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1918.

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THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY LIMITED.

The business of the manufacture and sale of ice and the business of cold storage hitherto carried on by the Hongkong Ice Company Limited has been acquired and will in future be carried on by the Dairy Farm Company Limited. Consequent upon such acquisition the name of the Dairy Farm Company Limited has been duly changed to "THE DAIRY FARM ICE AND COLD STORAGE COMPANY LIMITED" and its business will in future be carried on under the new name.

M. MANUK, Secretary.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE. WAR BONDS DRAWING

Questions & Answers

QUESTION A.—How many tickets have you purchased or how many are you interested in?

Now A is a question one answers quite "put." The number I've bought may be "this" or "be" that. So long as my conscience is clear on this fact. That I've done what I could and my credit's intact. But as to the number I'm interested in. Why! In EVERY ONE THAT A PRIZE IS TO WIN!!! For why should I worry for those who draw blank. When I'm wanting the KUDOS myself in the Bank!!!

QUESTION B.—Is the winning number amongst them?

Faith that I can't tell you until they've been drawn. But I'm hoping 'tis so, and my prayer every morn is a humble petition to the powers that be. That in PASSING OUT FAVOURS, they will NOT PASS ME! But I'm happy and aisy what e'er may befall. In doing my duty, by buying at all!

QUESTION C.—If so what are you going to do with the proceeds?

Well! I'm not one for counting my Chickens ere they hatch. And to speculate on it makes one, one's head scratch. But I'll tell you a secret—just lend me your ear. There'll be no White Wine nor yet any Beer! I should give to Sweet Charity all I could spare. And the rest—Save, to drive, from Old Age, the DULL CARE!!!

J. H. BARRINGTON.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

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are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 13th May.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th May, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 3rd June, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1918.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

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	*Tango Maru T. 13,500	SAT. 18th May, at 11 a.m.
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A 7,900-Ton Concrete Ship.

News transmitted through the wireless stations of the United States from a Pacific port says: "The world's largest concrete ship has been launched, and named The Faith. The vessel is 320 ft. long, and has a displacement of 7,900 tons. It will have a speed of 10 or 11 knots. The ship is ten times larger than any concrete boat previously built in this country. The builder of the vessel has stated: 'When this boat has passed her tests I expect we shall send her to the Orient, and when she returns we shall know all about her qualities. At present there are no insurance quotations covering concrete ships. The matters relating to those vessels are as new to everyone else as they are to ourselves.'

Suez Canal Traffic.

Under the rules of the Suez Canal Co., if any cargo is once carried in a space exempted from the tonnage of the ship, that space is added permanently to the tonnage of the ship; and canal dues are charged on that space for ever afterwards. This prevents owners from carrying any goods whatever in the superstructures and other exempted spaces, and it is most important at the present time that ships should fill up every available space with foodstuffs and other essential commodities. The Board of Trade recently proposed to the Suez Canal Company that as a war emergency measure the above rule should be suspended during the war, and that if the cargo were carried in an exempted space, dues should be charged on that space on each occasion on which it was occupied by cargo, but that the space should not be permanently added to the tonnage of the ship. The Suez Canal Company at once, with any hesitation, accepted this suggestion as soon as it was put before them, and official letters have been sent to the Shipowners' Associations informing them of this decision.

New Freight Schedule for French Ports.

It cannot be said, declares "The Compendium," that the new schedules of freights for the French ports for steamers and sailing vessels under 1,000 tons have found full favour with the shipowners. In the first place, they apply only to British ships, and not to Allied ships; and, in the second place, the rates are considerably below the figures which have lately obtained in the trade, so the British owners are, in effect, to be penalised for serving in the French trade, and under the licensing system will probably find their vessels diverted to the French trade, whether they like it or not. To this apparently unfair discrimination, however, the reply is that war conditions and the needs of our Ally make it imperative, and recognising this owners have submitted with good grace and without much complaint. Time will prove whether or not the scale of freights is adequate to the occasion, but in the meantime the rates will be enforced, and unless they prove to be actually unremunerative we shall probably hear no more about them. But in the case of the home trade freights, the schedule throughout is based on a reduction, London from the Tyne, for instance, being 17s. as against 18s to 20s ruling nearly all last year. With the rates tabulated for trading between South Wales and Ireland it may be said that the owners of small craft, steam and sail, are bitterly disappointed, and declare that they cannot run their vessels without a loss.

The War Loans of France.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GERMANY'S LATEST PEACE OFFENSIVE.

Effort Directed Towards America.

London, May 10.
A "Daily Mail" correspondent in Switzerland describes
the newest German peace offensive as directed against the
United States through Switzerland. It appears that three
weeks ago the German Government tried to get its offers
sent to President Wilson through Professor Heron, an
American living in Geneva, whose book "The Menace of
Peace" has gained him President Wilson's friendship and
esteem.

A Munich professor named Quiddie, a friend of Count
Hertling, visited Professor Heron accompanied by the Dutch
pacifist M. Jong van Diek. He declared that he had come
on behalf of Count Hertling and the German Foreign Office
to prepare the way to a merciful peace. He assured Pro-
fessor Heron that the Reichstag peace party was about to
obtain predominance in Germany and wished Professor
Heron to prepare President Wilson to profit at
the auspicious moment. Professor Quiddie declared
that Germany was ready firstly to grant Alsace-
Lorraine autonomy provided Alsace-Lorraine was not
mentioned at the Peace Conference, secondly if the Bre-
st-Litovsk treaties were not raised at the Peace Conference
Germany might make certain concessions, thirdly that there
be no economic war after the war, fourthly that the German
colonies must be restored. Professor Quiddie explained that
the present offensive on the Western Front was the final
effort to achieve peace.

Professor Heron indignantly asked how Professor Quiddie
could request him to lay such a riddle of cant and deceit
before the American people. It would simply strengthen the
determination of Americans to continue fighting till Prus-
sian militarism is extinguished.

Professor Quiddie left weeping.
Professor Heron next week was besieged by offers from
Herr Hoff, also a friend of Herr Ballin and a certain Court
official of high social standing. They used the telephone
when they found Professor Heron's door shut.

Professor Quiddie and the others have now returned to
Germany with the exception of Herr Hoff, who is in hospital
at Bern with stomachic poisoning.

Professor Heron, discussing the matter with the corres-
pondent, said he believed these people were now convinced
for the first time that the United States intended to fight
till their righteous objects are achieved.

THE ENEMY'S NEXT EFFORT.

London, May 10.
A special "Daily Telegraph" message from Rotterdam
says: The three points where the enemy main forces are
massing for the next blow are Flanders, the Amiens salient
and the Italian front. The only question is where the first
blow will be struck. The indications are that at least two
attacks will come simultaneously, the course of the opera-
tions being left to chance which will be the main and decisive
battle. Although the real issue is intended to be fought out
against the Anglo-French there is reason to believe that the
Italian front will be the scene of more important events
than in the first stage of the offensive. There is the smallest
number of Germans on the Italian front but German control
of the Austrian armies is stronger than at any period of the
war. Ludendorff has succeeded in imposing his will on the
Austrians. The moment will come to carry out his decisions
but it is doubtful whether the real intention is other than
that of pinning down the Allies on the Italian front to
prevent General Foch drawing thereon. As regards their
main offensive the Germans have been concentrating their
energies on developing greater speed in following up any
initial successes, this being chiefly due to the complaints
of commanders that failure to break through after St.
Quentin was due to the incomplete co-operation of the
artillery and infantry. Hence plans have been made for
the quicker bringing up of artillery, including fresh devices
like the application of the tank principle to the shifting of
batteries.

JAPAN AND BRITAIN.

London, May 12.
Baron Goto has sent a message to Mr. Balfour saying:
Charged with the duties of Foreign Affairs owing to the
regrettable illness and retirement of Baron Motono, I need
hardly assure you of Japan's unswerving determination to
stand by the Anglo-Japanese alliance. Sharing my prede-
cessor's implicit faith in the final victory of our common
cause I feel proud at being associated with you in the great
task before us.

Mr. Balfour, replying, welcomes Japan's assurance and
says that Britain has always regarded and will continue to
regard the Anglo-Japanese alliance as the cornerstone of the
relations uniting the two countries.

THE SILVER MARKET.

Silver is steady.

London, May 9.

MR. ASQUITH OUT-GENERALLED.

London, May 10.

The papers practically in a chorus praise Mr. Lloyd
George for converting the attack based on the Maurice letter
into what one Ministerial organ describes as "the most
finest of the finest in which previous attacks have ended."
Ministerial Lobbyists declare it was almost ludicrous to
note the blank disappointment on the faces of Mr. Asquith's sup-
porters when his opening words "A good deal of misconcep-
tion" made them realise that no real fight was intended.
These journals describe Mr. Asquith's performance as feeble
and half-hearted. As the "Daily Mail" says "Mr. Asquith
is not even an adroit parliamentarian now. He was out-
generalled and out-fought."

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, May 8.
A French communique reports only marked reciprocal
artillery activity on the Hautes-Montaignes front.

THE MACEDONIAN
CAMPAIGN.

London, May 9.

A Salonika official message states:
The British raided trenches near
Lake Doiran on the night of May 8.
We bombed Dracena aerodrome on
reached all objectives, bombed
dugouts, blew up a pillbox and killed
a number of Bulgars in hand-to-
hand fighting. Five of our aeroplanes

on May 1st, bombed Hubova aero-
drome in the Vardar valley. They
destroyed a large shed and bombs
fell among twelve aeroplanes on
the ground. We bombed the same
aerodrome on May 7, directly hitting
a workshop. Bombs fell close to
sixteen aeroplanes on the ground.
We bombed Dracena aerodrome on
the morning and afternoon of May
8, causing considerable damage. All
the bombs burst among aeroplanes.
All our aeroplanes returned.

YESTERDAY'S
TELEGRAMS.

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THE MAURICE DEBATE.

London, May 9.

Continuing his speech in the House
of Commons on the Maurice letter,
Mr. Lloyd George said:—As
regards the extension of front the
Allies were involved. It was very
difficult to discuss it without risk
of offending their susceptibilities.
That was one reason why he was
exceedingly sorry the controversy
had arisen. A Select Committee
was not the best tribunal for the
investigation of facts when passions
were aroused. The House of Com-
mons came to a similar decision
long ago as regards election peti-
tions. Mr. Asquith had come to
that conclusion as regards Mes-
opotamia. A Select Committee was
then suggested, which Mr. Asquith
deprecated for reasons which he,
Mr. Lloyd George, considered right.
Judges were accustomed to examine
facts, and could give a short sharp
decision. Since Tuesday it had be-
come clear from the pro-Asquith
press that no statement, no decision
of any secret tribunal in the world
would be accepted. The Govern-
ment had therefore decided to give
the facts to the public and let the
public judge.

Proceeding to examine General
Maurice's statements the Premier
said that two challenges had been
made regarding the figures: firstly
regarding the comparison which he,
the Premier, made of the British
forces in France on January 1st,
and on January 1st, last year, and
secondly regarding his, the Pre-
mier's, comparison of the enemy and
Allied forces on the West Front.
"I said the fighting strength of the
Army has increased. General
Maurice says it has diminished. The
figures I gave were taken from the
official records of the War Office.
If they are incorrect General Mau-
rice is as responsible as anyone
else; but they are not inaccurate.
I have made enquiry since. I
am not sure what General
Maurice exactly means. There is
absolutely no doubt there was a
very considerable addition to the
man-power of the Army in France
at the beginning of 1918 compared
with the beginning of 1917. There
was a great increase in man-power
of our Army throughout the world
in 1918 compared with 1917; but the
increase in our man-power in France
was greater than the average
throughout the whole area. I do
not know what General Maurice has
in mind when he talks of fighting
strength."

Mr. Lloyd George said General
Maurice must have drawn a distinc-
tion between combatant and non-
combatant strength. "I do not ac-
cept that distinction."

Cries of "Oh!"
The Premier (continuing): Are
those men who stopped the advance
at Amiens the other day com-
batants? Are the men under fire
daily making and repairing roads,
tramways and railways, who suffer
severe casualties, combatants or
non-combatants? Does anyone say
they are not part of the fighting
strength of the Army?

Mr. Lloyd George read an extract
from a document from General Mau-
rice's department, headed by
General Maurice's deputy: "From
the statements included it will be

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seen that the combatant strength of
the British Army was greater on
January 1st, 1918, than on January
1st, 1917."

"That came from General Mau-
rice's department nine days after
my speech. (Loud cheers). As re-
gards General Maurice's second
statement dealing with the com-
parison between the Allied and enemy
forces, I have been charged with
misleading the public by leading
the public to believe that at the
time the attack occurred the Allied
position on the Western Front was
that we had a slight superiority in
infantry, a considerable superiority
in cavalry and a superiority in ar-
tillery. The whole of these figures
were based on statements made by
General Maurice."

The Premier continued that the
statement regarding the Divisions
in Mesopotamia and Egypt was
made to the War Cabinet in the
presence of General Maurice, who
made no correction.

Regarding the extension of front
General Maurice stated he was at
Versailles. That was true; but the
implication was that he was at that
meeting. He was not there. He was
in a building outside with several
others who were present to assist
various Generals; but he was not
in the Council Chamber when the
question was discussed. The exten-
sion of the front of General Gough's
Army was never discussed in the
Versailles Council at all. A demand
was made for further extension,
but the extension in question oc-
curred before the Council met. It
had been agreed upon by Sir Doug-
las Haig and General Petain and
was reported by Sir Douglas Haig
to the Council as a fait accompli.
Not a single yard of front was
taken over as the result of the Ver-
sailles Council. Although General
Maurice did not say "so the real
point" was this—it was put in a
question by Mr. Lambert (already
published)—namely whether this
portion of the line was not taken
over by order of the War Cabinet
despite the objections of Sir Doug-
las Haig and Sir William Robertson.
There was not a word of truth in
that suggestion. Of course Sir
Douglas Haig was not anxious to
extend his line; nor was the War
Cabinet, but the pressure from the
French Government and the French
Army was enormous. This pressure
could not be resisted. He did not
suggest for a moment that the
French acted unfairly. There was
considerable ferment in France last
year regarding the length of line
held by the French Army compared
with ours. The French losses had
been enormous. They had sustained
the great strain of the fighting for
three years. The French had a
greater proportion of their manhood
in the line than any other bellig-
erent. The French then held a
front of 326 miles. We held a front
of 120 miles, but the Germans were
massed much more densely against
our line, which, moreover, was much
more vulnerable than the French.
Besides the line mentioned the
French Army then held two Divi-
sion front on our left in order to
enable us to accumulate the neces-
sary reserves with a view to an at-
tack in Flanders. The French press
ed us to extend our line in order

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that they might withdraw men from
the army for purposes of agricul-
ture. Their agricultural output had
fallen enormously and they were
compelled to withdraw part of their
army for cultivation of the soil.
Therefore owing to the French pres-
sure Sir William Robertson and the
Cabinet felt it was inevitable during
the winter that there should be
some extension. What further ex-
tension should be made was a mat-
ter in doubt.

Proceeding Mr. Lloyd George out-
lined the principles laid down by
Sir William Robertson, which the
Cabinet accepted, namely: Firstly
they accepted in principle that there
must be an extension of the British
line; secondly that the time and
extent must be left to the two
Commanders-in-Chief; thirdly, no
extension was possible until the
offensive was over; fourthly, the
line to be taken over must depend
upon the military policy for 1918
and upon the role assigned to those
armies. Everyone would admit
that those were sound principles
(cheers) and the Cabinet accepted
them without demur. They had
never departed from them during
the whole of the negotiations.
There was a meeting last year at
Boulogne between himself, Sir Wil-
liam Robertson, M. Painleve and
General Foch, which was summoned
to discuss a question affecting the
Foreign Office, whereas M. Painleve
raised the question of the exten-
sion of the front. He, Mr. Lloyd
George, was unprepared. Therefore
he told Sir William Robertson that
it was a matter with which he must
deal, and the whole matter was
handled by Sir William Robertson
and he laid down those principles,
which were heartily approved by the
Cabinet. In consequence of the
matter being discussed at this confer-
ence, Sir Douglas Haig got the impres-
sion that some decision was reached
without his consent. Consequently
Sir William Robertson drew up the
following memorandum: "At the
recent Boulogne Conference between
the Prime Minister, M. Painleve,
General Foch and myself the ques-
tion of the extension of front was
raised by the French representa-
tive."

The Premier then drew attention
to the following words in the memo-
randum in view of the statement
that the Government overruled Sir
Douglas Haig and Sir William Rob-
ertson: "The reply given was that
while in principle we were, of
course, ready to do whatever we
could have done, the matter could
not be discussed in the absence of
Sir Douglas Haig or during the pre-
sent operation, and due regard must
also be had to the plan of operation
for next year." It was suggested
that it would best for Sir Douglas
Haig to come to an arrangement
with General Petain as to when this
could be done. So far as I (Sir William
Robertson) am aware, no further
formal discussion occurred and the
matter therefore cannot be regarded
as decided. Further I am sure the
War Cabinet would not think of
deciding such an important ques-
tion without obtaining Sir Douglas
Haig's view and I am replying to
him in the above sense." (Cheers).

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